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Mr. Steven Corbally, Desk Officer  
U.S. Office of Government Ethics  
1201 New York Avenue, N.W.  
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Washington, DC 20005

RE: Extension of Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Assignment and  
IPA Waiver for Susan Meyer

Dear Mr. Corbally: *Steve*

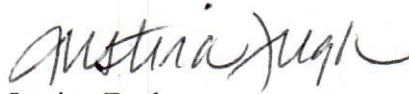
Following consultation with the Office of Government Ethics (OGE), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a waiver pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1) for Susan Meyer. This waiver allows Ms. Meyer, an employee of the State of Washington, to assist EPA in managing specific EPA cooperative and interagency agreements with Puget Sound Tribes and local governments and nonprofit organizations during her Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) assignment to EPA. The waiver stipulates that she not work directly with her state agency employer, the State of Washington's Department of Ecology. A copy of that waiver, issued on August 15, 2016, is enclosed for your reference.

Recently, Jeanne Duross, an ethics attorney with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), discussed with you the fact that EPA was seeking to extend one or two pre-existing IPA assignments and wanted to extend the waivers already granted. You and Ms. Duross discussed whether EPA should seek an entirely new waiver or if we could simply extend the existing one.

Pursuant to your discussions with Ms. Duross, EPA understands that a new § 208(b)(1) waiver is unnecessary. None of the relevant facts upon which the initial waiver determination was made nor the conditions that would be imposed have changed. The only change is the extension date of Ms. Meyer's assignment for one year from September 30, 2017. Thus, through this letter, EPA is notifying your office that we will be extending Ms. Meyer's § 208(b)(1) waiver through September 30, 2018.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Ms. Duross, who can be reached at (202) 564-6595 or [duross.jeanne@epa.gov](mailto:duross.jeanne@epa.gov).

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Justina Fugh".

Justina Fugh  
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